

- The Board of Supervisors (BOS) of Sioux County, IA, met at 9:00 AM with chairperson Jerry Muilenburg presiding. Members present were Muilenburg, John Degen, Craig Hoftzyer, Dan Altena & Carl VandeWeerd (via Teams).
- Agenda for the 08/27/24 meeting submitted. Motion to approve by Degen supported by Altena. Unanimous.
- Minutes of the 08/20/24 meeting presented. Motion to approve by Vande Weerd supported by Hoftzyer. Unanimous.
- Tom Kunstle, Sioux County Attorney, discusses Lyon-Sioux County Attorney agreement extension. Lyon County is currently without a County Attorney and Kunstle is providing attorney services to them for an hourly fee. The current agreement expires 09/03/24. The newly proposed agreement would increase the hourly rate to \$150/hour and extend the agreement until the position is filled or 01/01/25. Motion to support agreement as written is made by Vande Weerd. HR Director Michelle Monsma, in attendance, notes that the hourly rate charged does not cover county paid payroll taxes or county paid IPERS. Motion is then amended by Vande Weerd to have the hourly rate be \$150 plus county paid payroll taxes and IPERS. Amended motion supported by Altena. Vote is 2 – 3 and the motion fails. Altena makes a new motion to have the hourly rate at \$150 plus county paid payroll taxes and IPERS with an end date of 11/04/24. Motion is supported by Degen. Vote is 4 – 1 to approve.
- Shane Walter, Sioux County Planning & Zoning Director presents proposed Ordinance #32 Dangerous Building Ordinance second reading plus amendments to Ordinance #1 for both Solar and Wind Energy Systems second reading. Public hearing for Ordinance #32 is opened. No comments received from the public. Public hearing closed. Motion made by Degen to approve second reading supported by Hoftzyer. Unanimous. Public hearing for amendment to Ordinance #1 Solar Energy Systems is opened. Comments are received from the public from Phil Kooima of Rock Valley regarding the limitations of landowner rights and the research he has done regarding the restrictions of the amendments (both Solar and Wind Energy). The amendments talk about economic development, yet his research shows that very little if any land in Sioux County would meet the qualifications required to have Solar or Wind Energy Systems and thus the amendments do not promote economic development but are essentially a ban on Solar and Wind Energy Systems. Further discussion ensues with the BOS and Walter supporting the amendment as written. Public hearing is closed. Motion by Hoftzyer to approve second reading supported by Altena. Unanimous. Public hearing for amendment to Ordinance #1 Wind Energy Systems is opened. Noted that public comments received regarding Solar Energy Systems apply here as well. Public hearing closed. Motion by Vande Weerd to approve second reading supported by Degen. Unanimous.
- Kunstle then continues with some recent court case information. The discussion on changes in Compensation Boards then begins. Compensation Boards have been eliminated by Iowa Code as of 07/01/24. BOS can reinstate the Compensation Board or do the related annual compensation analysis themselves. Discussion only currently.
- Joel Sikkema, Sioux County Engineer presents B30 asphalt patching (flood damage) bid(s) as this is the time and the place for the bid letting. 1 bid was received from Knife River for approximately \$244,000. This bid is well over the \$150 - \$200,000 estimate. As the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) did agree to fund 80% of this project, a motion is made by Altena to accept the bid subject to FHWA concurrence (still paying 80% after the bid was well over the estimate). Motion includes authorization for Sikkema to execute the contract if conditions are met. Motion is supported by Hoftzyer. Unanimous.
- Committee Reports:
 - o Hoftzyer – Attended Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) meetings in Des Moines
 - o Degen – No report
 - o Altena – Attended RIDES meeting
 - o VandeWeerd – Provided remodel update, attended ISAC
 - o Muilenburg – Attended ISAC, notes visit with Beacon representatives at ISAC
- Motion to adjourn by Hoftzyer, supported by Degen. Unanimous. Adjourned at approximately 10:30 AM.

/s/ Jerry Muilenburg, Chairman, Sioux County Board of Supervisors

Attest: _____
/s/ Joe E Van Tol, Sioux County Auditor